

**PATENT**

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In re Application of	)	Prior Group Art Unit: 1635
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Jonathan D. OLINER et al.	)	Prior Examiner: M. Shibuya
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Continuation of	)	
Serial No. 09/431,964	)	
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Filed: November 1, 1999	)	Atty. Dkt. No. 003848.00100

For: DETERMINING SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION PATHWAYS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminarily to the examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, after the title, substitute the following paragraph:

This is a Continuation Application of parent Application Serial No. 09/431,964, filed  
November 1, 1999, which claimed the benefit of provisional application no. 60/106,912 filed  
November 3, 1998, which is expressly incorporated by reference in its entirety herein.

*now US Patent No. 6,340,565,*

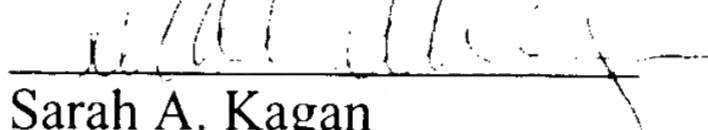
**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 2-33.

No fee is believed to be due. However, if such a fee is needed please charge Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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